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REMARKS

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1. On 27 April 1954, 2 sedans, 1 jeep and 2 trucks  driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets were parked in front of the former Kreisgericht in St. Poelten (O 49/W 88). The installation was guarded by a sentry wearing black-bordered red epaulets with artillery insignia. Mobile field kitchen  was standing in front of the closed garages west of the former Kreisgericht which were guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. A senior lieutenant with 13 EM wearing black-bordered black epaulets marched from the Prinz Eugen Kaserne toward Stadtwald. The soldiers carried axes and hooks. A pontoon carrier, 2 amphibious jeeps and 1 tank truck were parked in the area of the Prinz Eugen Kaserne. Two trucks, each carrying four mortars of about 82-mm and an officer and 20 EM, went to the Rainer Kaserne where the mortars were unloaded and cleaned. Vehicles standing near the closed garages included 6 trucks and 3 tank trucks. Five trucks  driven by a soldier with black-bordered black epaulets, and  2 jeeps were seen at the Franz Josef Kaserne. Vehicles observed at the barrier in front of the installation included jeeps  and trucks . All vehicles were driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. Only little activity was observed at Camp Spratzern which was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. Eight trucks, 3 tank trucks and 1 jeep were seen at the installation. About 30 EM were engaged in rifle firing practice with live ammunition at the target range. Vehicle traffic at Camp Spratzern included trucks  driven by soldiers with red-bordered epaulets.
2.  17 motor vehicles in the area of the former Landesheilanstalt in Mauer Döhling (O 49/W 26) which was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. About 20 additional motor vehicles were also observed at the installation. At noon, a group of 2 senior lieutenants, 1 lieutenant and 21 EM entered the installation. The soldiers wore black-bordered red epaulets and carried 3 light machine guns, 15 submachine guns and 3 rifles. A major with black-bordered red epaulets and a captain with

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red-bordered black epaulets left the former Landesheilanstalt. Truck [ ] driven by a soldier with black-bordered red epaulets, truck [ ] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets, and jeep [ ] entered the installation.

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[ ] Comment. The status of St. Pölten including Camp Spratzern remains the same as on the previous report. The vehicle [ ] belonged to the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div.

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